

REMARKS

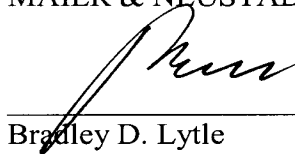
This amendment is filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312, which permits entry of amendments after allowance and before payment of the issue fee, upon recommendation of the primary examiner.<sup>1</sup>

The present Amendment amends Claims 1, 4, 13, 14, and 16 in order to correct minor informalities noted upon Applicants' review. These informalities were uncovered in Applicants' post allowance review of the application and are being timely and diligently corrected. No new matter is involved and no new issues are believed to be raised.

In view of the prior indication of allowability, no further issues are outstanding, and entry of the present amendment is believed to be in order and is respectfully requested so that the patent which issues from this application includes the presently submitted changes.

Respectfully submitted,

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<sup>1</sup>See MPEP 714.16.